

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Application of:

Examiner: Nguyen, Vi X

Syed F.A. Hossainy

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Title: REMOTE ACTIVATION OF AN IMPLANTABLE DEVICE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Examiner Nguyen:

This response addresses the Office Action dated August 29, 2003, which had a shortened statutory period for reply that ended on November 29, 2003. The enclosed Petition requests a two-month extension of time, extending the period for response to January 29, 2003.

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